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Attorney Docket No.: 2004-0610A

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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2. [] Small Entity Status is hereby asserted.

3. [X] Specification

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- Descriptive title of the Invention

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- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
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- Claim(s)
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4. [X] Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. § 113) (A4P) [Total Sheets: 2]

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 - [] Copy from a prior application(37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)

i. [] DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)

Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

6. [] Application Data Sheet (see 37 CFR 1.76)

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7. [] CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or computer program (Appendix)

[] Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)

- a. [] Computer Readable Form
 - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - i. [] CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

- [] Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
- [] 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)
- [] Power of Attorney
- [] English Translation Document (if applicable)
- 12. [X] Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 [X] Copies of IDS Citations
- 13. [] Preliminary Amendment
- 14. [X] Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized
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- 16. Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
- 17. [X] Other Claim of Priority

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